House Resolution No. 3040

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who admirably answered the patriotic call to national service through their enlistment in any of the various branches that make up the United States armed forces; and

Whereas, George Louis Poeschel of Richland, Missouri, is a deceased veteran who was born in Saint Louis, Missouri, in 1932; enlisted in the United States Marine Corps in 1950; and married his beloved Virginia West in 1951 to begin a marital union that would be blessed with two daughters, two granddaughters, and four great-grandsons; and

Whereas, the life and work of George Poeschel will be remembered during Memorial Day observances on May 26, 2008; and

Whereas, a veteran of the Korean and Vietnam conflicts, George Poeschel earned a Good Conduct Medal with four knots, the Meritorious Medal, a National Defense Medal with one star, the Vietnam Medal with one star, the Korean War Medal with four stars, and a Marksman Badge for the M-14 rifle; and

Whereas, George Poeschel was a baker/cook who produced 25,000 loaves of bread a day for the Marines stationed at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina, until his honorable discharge after seventeen years of service; and

Whereas, after his active duty was over, George Poeschel became involved in the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and church where he was a Deacon and Sunday School teacher known for having met the Reverend Billy Graham; and

Whereas, George Poeschel was posthumously recognized with a Certificate of Appreciation for his work with students at Richland Elementary School who were slow readers; and

Whereas, it is fitting and proper that the Missouri House of Representatives should pause in its constitutionally mandated legislative actions in order to contribute to appropriate tributes for Missouri veterans at local Memorial Day observances:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to acknowledge the military service given by George Poeschel and to convey to all of those who knew him this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of his public recognition during Memorial Day observances in 2008; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in memory of George Louis Poeschel of Richland, Missouri.

Offered by

Representative David Day
District No. 148

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3040, adopted May 14, 2008.